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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT(S): Yuji KAMO Confirmation No. 4402  
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FOR: REAL IMAGE MODE VARIABLE MAGNIFICATION FINDER  
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**MS AMENDMENTS**  
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**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

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On December 17, 2004, the Examiner issued a requirement for election of species in the above identified application, which includes claims Group I – V11, claims 1-60. In response to the requirement for election of species, Applicant elects for prosecution Group I. However, Applicant believes that there is an error in the Examiner's definition of this species. In the second line of the definition, "objective optical system" should read "finder optical system." The claims which are readable on the elected species are claims 1, 2 through 4, 21 through 28, 31, 32, 34, 39 through 45, and 48 through 51.

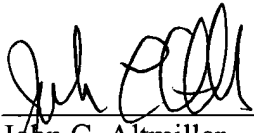
Of these claims the Examiner notes that claim 1 is generic. Applicant agrees that this claim is generic to at least the claims which depend on it.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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